



# GENERALIZED LINEAR MODELS

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Figure 6. Four female horseshoe crabs (buried in the sand) nesting within 5 m of each other attract very different numbers of satellites. From bottom to top, female #1 has five satellite males in addition to her attached male, female #2 only has an attached male, female #3 has two satellites plus her attached male, and female #4 only has an attached male.

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Table 3.2. Number of Crab Satellites by Female's Color, Spine Condition, Width, and Weight

C	S	W	Wt	Sa	C	S	W	Wt	Sa	C	S	W	Wt	Sa	C	S	W	Wt	Sa
2	3	28.3	3.05	8	3	3	22.5	1.55	0	1	1	26.0	2.30	9	3	3	24.8	2.10	0
3	3	26.0	2.60	4	2	3	23.8	2.10	0	3	2	24.7	1.90	0	2	1	23.7	1.95	0
3	3	25.6	2.15	0	3	3	24.3	2.15	0	2	3	25.8	2.65	0	2	3	28.2	3.05	11
4	2	21.0	1.85	0	2	1	26.0	2.30	14	1	1	27.1	2.95	8	2	3	25.2	2.00	1
2	3	29.0	3.00	1	4	3	24.7	2.20	0	2	3	27.4	2.70	5	2	2	23.2	1.95	4
1	2	25.0	2.30	3	2	1	22.5	1.60	1	3	3	26.7	2.60	2	4	3	25.8	2.00	3
4	3	26.2	1.30	0	2	3	28.7	3.15	3	2	1	26.8	2.70	5	4	3	27.5	2.60	0
2	3	24.9	2.10	0	1	1	29.3	3.20	4	1	3	25.8	2.60	0	2	2	25.7	2.00	0
2	1	25.7	2.00	8	2	1	26.7	2.70	5	4	3	23.7	1.85	0	2	3	26.8	2.65	0
2	3	27.5	3.15	6	4	3	23.4	1.90	0	2	3	27.9	2.80	6	3	3	27.5	3.10	3
1	1	26.1	2.80	5	1	1	27.7	2.50	6	2	1	30.0	3.30	5	3	1	28.5	3.25	9
3	3	28.9	2.80	4	2	3	28.2	2.60	6	2	3	25.0	2.10	4	2	3	28.5	3.00	3
2	1	30.3	3.60	3	4	3	24.7	2.10	5	2	3	27.7	2.90	5	1	1	27.4	2.70	6
2	3	22.9	1.60	4	2	1	25.7	2.00	5	2	3	28.3	3.00	15	2	3	27.2	2.70	3
3	3	26.2	2.30	3	2	1	27.8	2.75	0	4	3	25.5	2.25	0	3	3	27.1	2.55	0
3	3	24.5	2.05	5	3	1	27.0	2.45	3	2	3	26.0	2.15	5	2	3	28.0	2.80	1
2	3	30.0	3.05	8	2	3	29.0	3.20	10	2	3	26.2	2.40	0	2	1	26.5	1.30	0
2	3	26.2	2.40	3	3	3	25.6	2.80	7	3	3	23.0	1.65	1	3	3	23.0	1.80	0
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2	1	28.7	3.20	0	3	3	23.1	1.55	0	2	1	29.0	2.80	1	3	3	25.5	2.25	0

# POISSON REGRESSION

**Example:** the target variable is non-negative counts

1.  $\log(\mathbb{E}[Y|\mathbf{x}]) = \boldsymbol{\omega}^T \mathbf{x}$
2.  $Y|\mathbf{x} \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$ , where  $\lambda = e^{\boldsymbol{\omega}^T \mathbf{x}}$

**Mass function:** 
$$p(y|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) = \frac{e^{\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} y} \cdot e^{-e^{\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}}}}{y!}$$

**Log-likelihood:** 
$$ll(\mathbf{w}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i y_i - \sum_{i=1}^n e^{\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i} - \sum_{i=1}^n \log y_i!$$

# POISSON REGRESSION: MAXIMIZE LIKELIHOOD

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**Gradient:**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial ll(\mathbf{w})}{\partial w_j} &= \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij} y_i - \sum_{i=1}^n e^{\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i} x_{ij} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij} \cdot (y_i - e^{\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i}) \\ &= \mathbf{f}_j^T \cdot (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{p}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla ll(\mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{X}^T \cdot (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{p})$$

**Hessian:**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 ll(\mathbf{w})}{\partial w_j \partial w_k} &= - \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij} \cdot e^{\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i} \cdot x_{ik} \\ &= -\mathbf{f}_j^T \cdot \mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{f}_k \end{aligned}$$

$$H_{ll(\mathbf{w})} = -\mathbf{X}^T \cdot \mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{X}$$

# EXPONENTIAL FAMILY OF DISTRIBUTIONS

$$p(x|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = c(\boldsymbol{\theta})h(x) \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^m q_i(\boldsymbol{\theta})t_i(x)\right), \text{ where } \boldsymbol{\theta} = (\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_m) \text{ is a set of parameters.}$$
$$x \in \mathbb{R}$$

When  $q_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \theta_i$  for  $\forall i$ ,  $\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_m$  are called natural parameters. This gives

$$\begin{aligned} p(x|\boldsymbol{\theta}) &= \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^m \theta_i t_i(x) - a(\boldsymbol{\theta}) + b(x)\right) \\ &= \exp\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{t}(x) - a(\boldsymbol{\theta}) + b(x)\right) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathbf{t}(x) = (t_1(x), t_2(x), \dots, t_m(x))$



# EXAMPLES OF EXPONENTIAL FAMILY MEMBERS

$$p(x|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \exp\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{t}(x) - a(\boldsymbol{\theta}) + b(x)\right)$$

$$x \in \mathbb{R}$$

**Poisson:**

$$p(x|\lambda) = \exp(x \log \lambda - \lambda - \log x!)$$

$$\theta = \log \lambda, \mathbf{t}(x) = x, a(\theta) = e^\theta, \text{ and } b(x) = -\log x!$$

**Gaussian:**

$$p(x|\mu, \sigma) = \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2} + x\frac{\mu}{\sigma^2} - \frac{\mu^2}{2\sigma^2} - \frac{1}{2}\log(2\pi\sigma^2)\right)$$

$$\boldsymbol{\theta} = \left(\frac{\mu}{\sigma^2}, -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}\right), \mathbf{t}(x) = (x, x^2), a(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \frac{\theta_1^2}{4\theta_2} + \frac{1}{2}\log\left(\frac{\theta_2}{\pi}\right), \text{ and } b(x) = 0.$$

... and many more.

# ESTIMATING PARAMETERS IN THE EXPONENTIAL FAMILY

**Given:**  $\mathcal{D} = \{x_i\}_{i=1}^n$ , where  $X \sim$  Exponential Family Member

**Log-likelihood:**

$$\begin{aligned} ll(\mathbf{w}) &= \log \prod_{i=1}^n e^{\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{t}(x_i) - a(\boldsymbol{\theta}) + b(x_i)} \\ &= \sum_i \sum_m \theta_m t_m(x_i) - n \cdot a(\boldsymbol{\theta}) + \sum_i b(x_i) \\ &= \sum_i ll_i(\mathbf{w}) \end{aligned}$$

**Gradient:**

$$\frac{\partial ll_i(\mathbf{w})}{\partial w_j} = \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{\partial \theta_k}{\partial w_j} t_k(x_i) - \frac{\partial a(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial w_j}$$

# GENERALIZED LINEAR MODEL

1.  $f(\mathbb{E}[Y|\mathbf{x}]) = \boldsymbol{\omega}^T \mathbf{x}$
2.  $p(y|\mathbf{x}) \in$  Exponential Family

$f(\cdot)$  = link function

# LOGISTIC REGRESSION

1.  $\text{logit}(\mathbb{E}[Y|\mathbf{x}]) = \boldsymbol{\omega}^T \mathbf{x}$

2.  $Y|\mathbf{x} \sim \text{Bernoulli}(\alpha)$ , where  $\alpha = \frac{1}{1+e^{-\boldsymbol{\omega}^T \mathbf{x}}}$

where  $\text{logit}(x) = \log \frac{x}{1-x}$

$$p(y|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) = \left( \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}}} \right)^y \left( 1 - \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}}} \right)^{1-y}$$